

WRITING ASSIGNMENT #3 - Julius Caesar

PROMPT

Brutus called Portia a "true and honorable wife." What is a "true and honorable wife (or husband)"? Write a composition in which you describe the most important characteristics of a true and honorable spouse.

PREWRITING

What characteristics did Portia have that made Brutus think of her as being true and honorable? Take a minute and jot down a list of characteristics that you think a true and honorable wife/husband would have. Next to each, make a few notes explaining how each characteristic would make a person true and honorable.

DRAFTING

Write an introductory paragraph in which you introduce the idea that Brutus thought Portia was a true and honorable wife and continue to make a statement about what characteristics you think a true and honorable wife/husband would have.

In the body of your composition, write one paragraph for each characteristic you have chosen. Within each paragraph explain how each characteristic would make a person true and honorable. Give examples and/or a thorough explanation.

Write a concluding paragraph taking into consideration all the characteristics you have mentioned above. You might make a statement about the likelihood of finding such a person.

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When you finish the rough draft of your paper, ask a student who sits near you to read it. After reading your rough draft, he/she should tell you what he/she liked best about your work, which parts were difficult to understand, and ways in which your work could be improved. Reread your paper considering your critic's comments and make the corrections you think are necessary.

PROOFREADING

Do a final proofreading of your paper double-checking your grammar, spelling, organization, and the clarity of your ideas.